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**STATEMENT FROM MAYOR EMANUEL ON THE JOFFREY BALLET'S FIRST NEW YORK
PERFORMANCES SINCE 1995**

“More than two decades ago the Joffrey Ballet moved from New York City to Chicago, where they not only found a new home but have flourished and grown into one of the premier dance companies anywhere in the world. The Joffrey’s first return to their New York roots in 22 years is an exciting opportunity to share one of Chicago’s cultural jewels with new audiences and inspire fans young and old with their cutting-edge, innovative interpretation of a classical art form.”

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